

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BROWNSTOWN  
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
MEETING OF DECEMBER 20, 2012**

The regular meeting of the Brownstown Township Zoning Board of Appeals was held in the Brownstown Township Hall, 21313 Telegraph Road, Brownstown, MI 48183, on Thursday, December 20, 2012. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Alternate Chairman Knappmann and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENT:** Blair-Krosnicki, Scipione, Knappmann, Walters, and Alternate Lewis. Also in attendance was Building Official Earl.

**ABSENT and EXCUSED:** Chairman Cox

Motion by Blair-Krosnicki, supported by Lewis, to appoint Knappmann as temporary Chairman. All present voting aye. Motion approved.

Motion by Walters, supported by Scipione, to approve the minutes of November 15, 2012. All present voting aye. Motion approved.

Motion by Blair-Krosnicki, supported by Walters, to approve the agenda of December 20, 2012. All present voting aye. Motion approved.

**CASE #V1200015:** Chris Thweny from Rainbow Hi Tech Signs, 16706 Telegraph, Detroit, MI 48219, was in attendance representing Top Value Car & Truck Service Center, 19700 Allen Road and their request to install an electronic message board sign. The new LED sign will be placed on the existing sign in the same location. The existing sign is to be considered to be a Nonconforming Sign. A nonconforming sign shall not be altered or reconstructed unless in compliance with the provisions of section 16.07 (b). Additionally, an LED sign or changeable message board sign is not allowed per section 16.03. Applicant is requesting a variance to section 16.03 of the zoning ordinance and the sign shall meet the requirements of section 16.07 (nonconforming signs) for approval.

No correspondence was received and no one was in attendance for or against case #V120015.

Motion by Blair-Krosnicki, supported by Walters, to approve a variance to section 16.07 (b), nonconforming signs. **AYES:** Blair-Krosnicki, Knappman, Lewis, Walters. **NAYES:** Scipione. Motion approved.

Motion by Walters, Supported by Blair-Krosnicki to approve the variance to section 16.03 allowing the electronic LED sign to be installed with no changes to the square footage of original sign and with the stipulation that the change rate is no less than 30 seconds. **AYES:** Blair-Krosnicki, Knappman, Lewis, Walters. **NAYES:** Scipione. Motion approved.

**CASE # V120016:** Maurice Damphousse, 22262 King Road, was in attendance to explain his request for a variance to section 13.11 to allow a commercial vehicle weighing in excess of five thousand (5,000) pounds to be parked in a residential district. The property is located in an R-1 district.

Mr. and Mrs. Mayer, 22150 King Road was in attendance opposing the variance. Their concerns are with the lights, noise, and fumes from the trucks. A letter was also received from them regarding the same and is placed on file.

A letter of concern was also received from a resident at 20962 King Road and is placed on file.

Motion by Walters, supported by Blair-Krosnicki to deny the request for variance. All present voting aye. Motion approved.

**PUBLIC FORUM:** No participants for public form.

Motion by Blair-Krosnicki, supported by Lewis to adjourn the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting at 7:53 p.m. All present voting aye.

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John Knappmann, Alternate Chairman

